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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Operations
FROM: Director of Central Intelligence
SUBJECT: ☐ NFAC Cooperation

1. I wonder if you should try to make arrangements with NFAC on prior distribution of unclassified publications to ☐ offices. It occurs to me that if our ☐ offices could provide these unclassified releases to the major companies with whom they maintain contact, it would help that relationship considerably. It is particularly embarrassing, I suggest, if the companies read in the newspaper that we have released something and call ☐ and are unable even to get any information about it. It would seem to me that NFAC could give you these in time to get them into ☐ hands at least for distribution simultaneously with public release.

2. Beyond this, I am curious as to what measures you take to insure a dialogue between ☐ officers and NFAC analysts. It seems to me that the case officers could do their job a lot better if they had some opportunity to be in contact with analysts from time to time in the areas in which they are providing information. I recognize there must be some channel for the analyst to tell the ☐ officer what he wants, but how good is the feedback either on the quality of the product received from ☐ or on the general concept of why and what we want?


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